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The Secretary-General presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 4 and 6 March 1994, there appear to have been 12 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are annexed to the present note verbale.

Please note that the total number of flights reported in note verbale S/1994/5/Add.13 should have read 1,487. Consequently, the total number of flights reported in note verbale S/1994/5/Add.14 should have read 1,495. The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 1,507.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(4-6 March 1994)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
1518	4 Mar.	1020	1021	UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter flying 10 kilometres south of Zvornik. The helicopter flew across the Drina River from the Bosnian Serb Army side to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) side. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	West Slow Low
1519	4 Mar.	1451	1459	North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) fighter aircraft made visual contact with an MI-8 helicopter 15 kilometres north-west of Sarajevo, heading west. Contact was lost a short time later for operational reasons. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	West Unknown Unknown
1520	4 Mar.	2010	2013	UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter 10 kilometres west of Mostar, heading south-west. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South-west Slow Medium
1521	5 Mar.	0430	0440	AWACS made radar contact 30 kilometres north of Knin, heading south. The contact exited the no-fly zone 15 kilometres north-east of Knin. Contact was lost 15 kilometres south-east of Knin. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South 140 knots 11,200 feet
1522	5 Mar.	0605	0627	AWACS made radar contact 50 kilometres south-west of Banja Luka, heading south. Contact was lost 43 kilometres north-east of Knin. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South 165 knots Low
1523	5 Mar.	0709	0727	AWACS made radar contact 60 kilometres east of Knin, heading south. Contact was lost 78 kilometres south-east of Knin. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South 165 knots Low
1524	5 Mar.	1501	1520	AWACS made radar contact 45 kilometres south of Banja Luka, heading south. Contact was lost 65 nautical miles south of Banja Luka. The unauthorized flight occurred between areas controlled by Bosnian Serbs and an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South Slow Unknown
1525	5 Mar.	1553	1605	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres east of Zenica, heading south. Contact was lost 15 kilometres south-east of Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South 60 knots Low
1526	5 Mar.	1600	1621	AWACS made radar contact 3 kilometres south-east of Zenica, heading south-east. Contact was lost 5 kilometres east of Kiseljak. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east 165 knots Low

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
1527	6 Mar.	1010	1040	United Nations military observers received a request to carry out an inspection of a green camouflaged MI-8 helicopter (Tail No. 252) with a red cross, on a resupply flight from Posusje to Cvrtnica. The Bosnian Croat Army was informed by the military observer team that the flight was not approved and that the inspection did not imply approval of the flight. The inspection revealed that the helicopter carried water, eggs, beer and a tool chest. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east then south-west Unknown Unknown
1528	6 Mar.	1046	1047	UNPROFOR personnel observed a white and blue MI-8 helicopter with a red cross flying over Jablanica, heading south. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South Slow Low
1529	6 Mar.	1527	1538	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres south-west of Mostar, heading south-west. The contact turned north and was lost 5 kilometres north-west of Mostar. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South-west then north Slow Low